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Cc: Dunton, Cheryl[Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]; Jakob, Avivah[Jakob.Avivah@epa.gov]
From: Strauss, Linda
Sent: Thur 8/3/2017 4:00:33 AM
Subject: FW: GTG-Wall Street Journal Chicago Due TH AM: Press Query regarding Monsanto/glyphosate documents (from WSJ)

Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process ?

Please cc: Cheryl b/c I am out.

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2017 6:58 AM
To: Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Sisco, Debby <Sisco.Debby@epa.gov>; Overstreet, Anne <overstreet.anne@epa.gov>; Berckes, Nicole <Berckes.Nicole@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: LINDA/OPP Query regarding Monsanto/glyphosate documents (from WSJ)

Good morning,

Deadline tomorrow AM. Let me know if you want to discuss.

Thanks, R.

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Bunge, Jacob"
Date: August 2, 2017 at 12:03:21 AM EDT
To: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
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Please let me know tomorrow morning, as we are looking to pull this together tomorrow.

Thank you,

Jacob

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